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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MAVRROMARA et al.) Group Art Unit of Parent: 1636
Application Serial No.: not yet assigned) Examiner of Parent: Ketter, J. S.
Divisional of Serial No.: 09/644,987)
Filed: September 17, 2003)
For: NUCLEIC ACIDS AND NEW)
POLYPEPTIDES ASSOCIATED)
WITH AND/OR OVERLAPPING)
WITH HEPATITIS C VIRUS)
CORE GENE PRODUCTS)

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the specification as set forth in this paper.

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